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TO: FFA Advisors, State Officers and Executive Committee

FROM: Erin Noble, State FFA Specialist

RE: State FFA Dairy Cattle Management and Evaluation CDE at Cedar Lane Farm on Saturday,

April 18, 2015

DAIRY CATTLE MANAGEMENT AND EVALUATION

The New Jersey FFA Association will participate in the New Jersey State 4-H Dairy Judging Event as the state qualifying event for National FFA Convention. This event will take place at Cedar Lane Farm in Hunterdon County – 87 Homestead Road, Oldwick, NJ 08858. It is scheduled for <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 18</u>, <u>2015</u>. Please register your teams with the State FFA Office no later than Wednesday, April 1. The State office will pre-register all New Jersey teams by the deadline with the New Jersey 4-H.

Preregistration is required for participation using the online registration form. Please email your completed registration form to ag.ed.registration@ag.state.nj.us by **April 1, 2015.**

SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

Registration – 8:30 am Judge 4 classes of Cattle – 9:00 – 10:00 am Oral Reasons (two sets) – 10:00 am - Noon Comments from Judges – 12:30 pm

RULES

- 1. All participants must be FFA members in good standing in their respective chapter.
- 2. A team must consist of four members.
- 3. This event will be used to select the team to represent New Jersey FFA at the National FFA Convention in October. The winning team must receive at least 60% of the total team points to be eligible to advance.
- 4. Contestants are not allowed to take any books or notes to the contest. Only clip boards and blank notepaper will be accepted.
- 5. A timekeeper will be designated; there will be a total of 12 minutes to place each class. For those classes with oral reasons, an additional 8 minutes will be allowed for taking notes on the class.
- 6. All contestants must wear rubber boots which can be disinfected or plastic boot covers.
- 7. Teams must be accompanied by an adult advisor/coach.
- 8. Official score cards will be provided on the day of the event.
- 9. New Jersey 4-H's rules and scoring procedures will be followed. FFA members CAN be a part of a 4-H team at this event.

PAYMENT:

The Dairy Cattle Management and Evaluation CDE fee will be \$9.00 per participant payable to Treasurer, State of NJ. No lunch is included in registration. Students must bring a bag lunch. *If your chapter has at least Blue Affiliation, the fee is waived.

Checks made out to Treasurer, State of New Jersey (\$9.00/ registrant/Dairy Judging) should be sent to Office of Agricultural Education, New Jersey Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625.

DIRECTIONS:

87 Homestead Road Oldwick, NJ 08858

From the South:

Take 295 north/95 South around Trenton to Route 31 N Follow Route 31 North through Pennington and Flemington to Route 78 in Clinton.

Take Route 78 East to Exit 24 (Route 517 North).

Follow Route 517 through the town of Oldwick.

Take the first Right on to Homestead Road.

The Farm is #87 on the Right side of the road.

Cedar Lane Farm sign is on the end of the lane.

From the North:

Take Route 517 South through Hackettstown, over Schooleys Mountain.

Continue on 517 through the intersection of 24.

Homestead Road is on your left before you get into Oldwick, #87 is on the right.

Cedar Lane Farm sign is at the end of the lane.